

SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

International Business Disputes in an Era of Receding Globalism The Sixth Annual Conference of the Atlanta International Arbitration Society

SUNDAY, October 22

2 pm - 3:30 pm:

A Conversation with Arbitration Practitioners From Around the World - Different Perspectives on Common Themes"

A Joint Panel Hosted by the ICC Young Arbitrators Forum and AtlAS Young Practitioners Group at the Georgia State University College of Law, 85 Park Place NE, Atlanta 30303

3:30 pm - 4:00 pm:

Trolley ride from ACIAM to Centennial Olympic Park and The Omni at CNN Center

4:00 pm - 6:00 pm:

Tertulia Roundtables

- Transparency versus confidentiality in international arbitration
- Ad hoc versus institutional arbitration, and party selection of arbitrators versus institutional selection
- The "Americanization" of international arbitration?
- Promoting gender diversity

6:30 pm - 8:00 pm:

Cocktail Reception at The Omni at CNN Center

MONDAY, October 23 - all events at the Omni CNN Center

8:00 am - 8:30 am:

Registration and Breakfast (buffet style)

8:30 am - 8:45 am:

Welcoming Remarks, AtlAS President Kirk Watkins

8:45 am - 9:15 am:

Introductory Remarks by The Honorable Charles Adams

9:15 - 11:00 am:

- **The backlash against globalism and its implications for international arbitration.**
 - Will the push-pull of nationalist sentiments affect where and how businesses resolve cross border disputes?
 - Will the relationship between courts and arbitral tribunals -- or their relative attractiveness to users -- be affected?
 - How might anti-globalism affect the competition among venues positioning themselves as cosmopolitan and friendly to international arbitration?

11:00 - 11:30 am:

Break with refreshments

11:30 - 12:30 am:

- **The future of investor state dispute resolution.**
 - Is investor-state arbitration “dead,” as recently declared by the European Commission?
 - If so, will this leave a void, and what might fill it?
 - A shift from multilateralism to bilateralism?
 - Whence NAFTA and how might the upcoming negotiations impact other trade relationships and investor-state dispute resolution mechanisms?

12:30 pm - 2:00 pm:

Lunch with Keynote Address by Lord Peter Goldsmith

2:00 pm - 3:30 pm:

- **Perhaps not such a small world after all? International Commercial Arbitration in an Era of Receding Globalism**
 - Might the backlash against investor-state arbitration spill over to international commercial arbitration?
 - Preserving and enhancing the legitimacy and viability of international commercial arbitration in an era of receding globalism.
 - Addressing the challenge of enhanced border security - practical tips for foreign parties, counsel and witnesses arbitrating in the United States.
 - To heck with travel? Considerations for parties weighing “virtual” proceedings or designating one jurisdiction as the physical situs of an arbitration hearing and another as the arbitral “seat” whose law governs the conduct of the arbitration.

3:30 pm - 4:00 pm --- Break with Refreshments

4:00 pm - 5:30 pm:

- Institutional reactions: “Institutional reactions: How might institutions evolve to take into account the backlash against globalism and related developments?”

5:30 - 5:45 pm:

Closing Remarks